****************** HOLIDAY GOODS

Games, Dolls, Books, Fancy Stationery, Toilet Cases, Work Boxes, Albums. Collar and Cuff Boxes. Photo Cases, Shaving Sets, Perfumery, **Embroidery Squares** Stamped Linens, Table Linens, Ribbons, Lace Curtains, Fancy Shawls, Stand Covers

Our extremely low prices apply to Holiday Goods as well as to all regular lines.

and all kinds of fancy trinkets suitable

for presents.

NEW YORK RACKET

DON'T FORGET the practical presents, Give your friend a new overcoat, a pair of Shoes, a new Suit,

They will appreciate the spirit of the gift and will find the article useful.

Everything in the store marked at bed rock cash prices.

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Every Evening Until Christmas

Salem's Cheapest One Price Cash Store.

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CHRISTMAS

Is a necessity in making your list of purchases for gifts. Here you will dia's participation, find the largest variety," the highest quality, the lowest prices. We have watches with reliable movements, in Gales creek, died at his home there the latest style of cases, \$2.50 to \$30, December 14th, aged 59 years. He chatelains, rings, earrings, brooches, leaves a widow and seven children. all kinds of fine ewelry.

C.T. Pomeroy 288 Com. St., Watchmaker and Optician

A Christmas Toast

Drank in our wines or liquors will o remembered long and lovingly. on't neglect to lay in a goodly suply of what you and your guests preor in the way of whiskies, brandles, surgundy, port, sherry, sauterne, laret, champagne or other wines. cods delivered anywhere in the city sthout charge.





Receiver's Sale.

All goods in the John C. Hertz Clothing Co. stock will sold at 20 per cent discount to close out the entire stock which is new and complete in every department.

F. W.DURBIN.

fing house has a capacity of two advanced a cent a pound.

temporary prune packing house tons of prunes a day. Packing has een established at the Fisher been in progress some time, and will oat landing, on the Columbia, continue until after Christmas. A company from Albany, Or. The later in the season. Last week prunes

OPERATOR BELIEVES IN UNIONS

tion a Necessity

Board Recommends Enact U. S. Will Not Recognize Secretary Long Will Not Re- Danger That Government ment of Child Labor Laws

Against Large Companies

relating to child labor might be exe general. cuted. That the commission had no desire to criticise the laws of Pennsylvania, but recommended enactthe employment of women and childknew to be false. Darrow then called the warships sailed away. John Haddock, an independent operator, as a witness.

Haddock surprised the other operasaid the large companies tried to re- territory. strict the output of the independent operators. He had lodged numerous complaints with the interstate com-

Haddock believed the miners had Cabello. a right to be represented by who ever ready to treat with the officials of the union. Lloyd, one of the miners' evidence showing a combination of sented within certain bounds.

Bust of McKinley Purchased. Washington, Dec. 16.-Clark, of

in Behalf of the St. Louis Exhibit. Calcutta, Dec. 16 .- John Barrett addressed the Bengal chamber of commerce yesterday in behalf of the St. with Viceroy Curzon relative to In-

S. S. Bateman, an old resident of

Portables, Decorated Shades for Christmas Presents.

WE-HAVE JUST RECEIVED AND WILL HAVE READY FOR INSPECTIONN ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 15. A BEAUTI-FUL LINE OF GAS PORTA BLES AND DECORATED SHADES FOR WELSBACH BURNERS, SOMETHING NEW AND PRETTY. COME AND LOOK AT THEM WHETHER YOU BUY OR NOT.

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HOSTILE **OVERTURES** CONTINUE

Says Miners Organiza- British Flag Flies at Transport Business Causes Great Suffer-Puerto Cabello

Peaceful Blockade

Venezuela

La Guayra, Dec. 16,-The British y after the opening of the strike in and German warships have appeared quiry commission this morning, Jus. off Margarite island. The German tice Gray said that the commission ships surveyed the island a year ago, ty and state the testimony of the lit- Germany has designs on that territle girls taken yesterday, so that in tory. The feeling here is generally future all laws on the statute books calmer, though apprehension is yet

Charybdis and the tornedo boat Quail dashed into the harbor and took posiment of laws absolutely forbidding tions commanding the fortifications. into the country. The commander of to present the earnings of the fathers the fortress called on the foreign conof the little silk mill girls. They suis, asking intervention. He said he showed great anger when they then has orders to evacuate the fortress, carned that their fathers carned from but would fight if fired on first, before \$900 to \$1100 annually, which they he would withdraw. Later in the day

Will Not Occupy Territory.

London, Dec. 16 .- In the House of tors by asserting that he believed in Lords today Lord Lansdowne said that the proper organization of labor, and the affice would blockade Venezuelan that the present conditions warranted ports, but it was in no wise intended the demands for a miners' union. He to land British forces or occupy the

Willemstad, Curacoa, a correspondent merce commission, and finally had of the Daily Mail says the British flag is now flying over the fort at Puerto

they chose, and said he was always Germans Favor Stringent Blockade Berlis, Dec. 16 .- The Bundesrath will be asked to sanction a more counsel, asked permission to submit stringent blockade of Venezuela. Dispatches received say that all employes the coal-carrying roads. Gray con- of the German and British railways are safe.

France Not Interested.

Paris, Dec. 16.-At a council of min Montana, made his first appearance isters today it was announced that this session on the Senate floor this France is not interested in the presmorning. There was agreed without ent events in Venezuela, the guaranobjection a concurrent resolution ap- tees for settlement of French claims propriating \$3000 for the purchase made last April being sufficient until from Mrs. Emma Cadwalader Guild of they prove inadequate. France, therea bronze bust of ex-President Me- fore, can only wait for the time when the payments are due.

Matos Not In Sympathy With Castro. Antwerp, Dec. 16 .- A private cablegram from Caraças says that a new revolution threatens Castro, led by Louis exopsition. Today he conferred Matos, who refuses to co-operate against the allies.

Italian Warship for Venezuela. Sydney, Dec. 16,-The hurried de parture of the Alberto, the Italian warship, for Venezuelan waters has stopped the Marconi experiments. It is certain, however, that he has accomplished his intermittent trans-Atlantic commission for wireless telegraphy.

Parliament Eager to Be Informed. London, Dec. 16.-The Venezuelan matter again came up in the House of borne was a target for numerous ques tions. He said that Great Britain had

British Build Fortifications. Paris, Dec. 16.-A Caracas dispatch

says that British fortifications are being built in the environs of San

Kaiser Inquires After Vanderbilt. New York, Dec. 16 -- Cornellus Van derblit, who has been ill from typhold fever, is still very weak. The Kalser, through Ambassador Hollenben, has inquired as to his condition.

General Nord Controls Hayti

Port Au Prince, Hayti, Dec. 16,-General Colon, minister of the interior and opponent of Nord in the contest for the presidency, has sought refuge with the American legation. There has been much firing in the streets of the city, and great excite-

CONTRACT WILL NOT BE LET

Remains Statu Quo

advertise Bids

Disappointed

Washington, Dec. 16 .- Without saying so in so many words, Secretary famine in Washington is already af-Representative Jones to understand the supply in most cases is nearly exdesired to impress upon the communiand it has since been believed that that he does not intend to accept the hausted. Some of them would have to to the Philippines, but will, for the ordered. The coal supply at the posttransport service from San Francisco, today, and all the electric lights above be justifiable, in his opinion, to dupli- coal was finally received from local cate these accommodations on Puget dealers. Sound, particularly as the bids re The capitol has exactly two days' cently called for cover only about seven months' time.

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COAL FAMINE IN EAST

ing In Cities

Offices May Shut Down

Independent Has a Grievance New Revolution Threatens Seattle Company Is Sorely Colliery Output Does Not Supply Demand

> Washington, Dec. 16 .- The coal Root has given Senator Foster and feeting the government buildings, and bid of the Boston Steamship Com- be closed in anything like blizzard pany for carrying troops and supplies weather, and rigid economy has been next six months, at least, continue the office department was exhausted early. The secretary says the improvements the first floor and the hall were shut made at San Francisco in the way of off. The steam plant at the interior barracks, freight depots, hospitals, department was also shut down for etc., cost \$750,000, and it would not over an hour, but a l'mited supply of

> supply now, but no fears are felt there, as the contract with the Read-The secretary showed great familing Company requires that corporalarity with commercial conditions on tion to furnish sufficient coal to keep

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Our big opening of Fruits, | Xmas Prices Will Prevail at Nuts, Candies and Christmas tree decorations commences Friday, December 19 and continues until the Holidays are

Remember Holiday Prices the holidays. Prevail at

from December 19 until after

Our Confections are made from pure sugar and the prices are as low as the low-

154 State St. Phone 2874.



TODAY

We will have a line of Men's 50c Ties for

25c each

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday will be \$2.00 comforts

for that day only

\$1.58 THURSDAY

A line of sofr cushions, splendid values, half-price.

\$1.25

FRIDAY

Ladies' fur trimmed felt slippers, worth \$2.00 in most stores, our price

\$1.38

SATURDAY

We will sell a line of ladies' black Lustral Petticoats, worth \$2.50, for

\$1.68

Commons today. Secretary Cran- Everything In This World Was Made For Santa Claus

Santa Claus, the blessed giver of presents, rules the world. This not attempted of refer the dispute for charitable soul, who always gives and never takes, is visiting our store arbitration to any power or govern all the time. This week will be the most interesting week of our history.

> Phonographic Concert Every Evening Except Saturday Saturday evening Gesner's Orchestra and Santa Claus will give their performance.

We want the children especially to visit our toy department on the second floor, and this time bring their parents with them.

Christmas Neckwear

be med are the tes that hind our customers to our clothing department, Moire Silk Imperials and four in bands, the new est things for Xmas. 25c 50c 75c

Christmas Umbrellas

Novelties of all sorts for men of good taste. 50c to \$8.50 Very useful gifts.

Toilet Cases \$2.50, \$3.00, \$4.00

Men's Muniers

A complete line, white, black and fancy colors. 75c to \$2.50.

Smoking Jackets

A great variety to select from 50c to \$15.00.

Men's Gloves

Dressed and undressed kids. Slik lined Mochas. \$1.00 to \$1.50.

Golf Gloves, Very New. 25c 35c 50c Jawelry Novelties. Of all kinds for men